

SENATORS GET THOUSANDS OF LETTERS FOR AND AGAINST LEAGUE

Fighting which occurred at Halle, Germany, on Saturday, according to a Copenhagen despatch to the Central News. Spartans are said to have drowned many students and officers in the river there and it is reported that there was a general pillage in the parts of the city where the fighting took place. Government troops eventually gained the mastery, it is said.

A German wireless despatch received here gives a semi-official account of recent happenings at Halle. Fighting there lasted from 10 o'clock Wednesday night, when the mutineers opened fire with field guns and mine throwers on Police Headquarters, until late Friday night.

It is said there were isolated encounters even as late as Saturday morning. The despatch adds that, even if final resistance has not yet completely broken down, the crisis may be regarded as safely passed.

The despatch says that in the northern and eastern sections of the city there was plundering during Saturday and a little fighting of a minor character, but otherwise the situation was little changed by Saturday night.

Spartan forces had entrenched themselves in the Beckow Brewery and government troops were advancing from all sides to storm the building. Artillery had been drawn up in Friedrichsbad Park in preparation for the fight, and heavy Howitzers, directed by aviators, were firing on the brewery when the despatch was filed.

Events at Halle have produced a renewal of Spartan agitation in the upper Silesian coal fields, it is said.

BERLIN, Sunday, March 9. (Associated Press.)—The number of individuals who suffered property losses in the course of the fighting in Berlin last week is estimated at six thousand.

The money loss caused is difficult to determine, as in addition to the heavy losses through damage to buildings and dwellings the Spartans engaged in wholesale looting of shops and private houses from the beginning of the strike last Monday. One of the large department stores in the Alexanderplatz estimates the damage it suffered as in excess of 1,000,000 marks.

The losses of the past week, added to those of the week of the first Spartan outbreak, are likely to involve the City of Berlin on the state or national Government in damage suits totaling more than 150,000,000 marks.

Advices from Munich indicate the situation there is quiet and that the majority of Spartans have been released. The Soviet Congress has voted to release hostages seized at the time that Kurt Eisner, the Bavarian Premier, was assassinated. The strike situation in central Germany is reported to be improving.

Hugo Haase has been elected Chairman of the Independent Social Party at its conference here. The fact that Haase prevented the convention from swinging to the extreme left is interpreted as a sign that the way is being paved for an amalgamation of the Majority Socialists and the Independent Socialists.

COPENHAGEN, March 10.—German Government troops had completely surrounded Leipzig Saturday and were expected to enter the city Sunday, according to delayed despatches received here today. Aviators from Weimar were heavily bombing the Spartans entrenched on the outskirts.

MUNICH, Sunday, March 9.—The Central Council of the Spartans here has issued a decree forbidding speculation in real estate. Nobody will be allowed to buy more real estate than he needs for his personal use.

SAYS INJUSTICE TO ARMY MEN SPREADS BOLSHEVISM

Senator Chamberlain Blames Misapplication of Military Law for Red Tendencies.

Senator Chamberlain of Oregon, addressing the United States Senate at the Capitol here today, declared that the misapplication of military law is the American Army was a cause for the spread of Bolshevism in this country.

"Boys of seventeen or eighteen years have been sentenced to prison for from five to fifty years," he said, "for no greater offense than going to see their mothers or their sweethearts. Home-coming boys have been punished like criminals or traitors. This sort of injustice is what embitters men and makes them fertile soil for the propagation of Bolshevism."

Senator Chamberlain was to have come to New York by airplane, but something went wrong with the machine and he came by train. He said however that he was sure the time would soon come when Senators coming to New York will regularly use airplanes.

France and Italy Oppose German-Austrian Union.

PARIS, March 10.—France and Italy, according to the Gaulois, are fully in accord in opposing energetically the union of German-Austria with Germany.

FLOOD OF LETTERS TO SENATORS ON WORLD'S LEAGUE

Nothing Like Present Avalanche Ever Known in Washington—Majority Favor a League.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The American people are responding eagerly to President Wilson's invitation to discuss the League of Nations. While controversies over war policies drew a tremendous number of letters, nothing in the memory of men now in Congress equalled the present avalanche of mail at their offices.

Senators haven't been able to read half the letters addressed to them on the subject. Forty-seven hundred letters chosen from the files of eighteen Senators, representing every section of the country and both political parties, readily asserted themselves in four classes.

First—Those unqualifiedly for the league as now proposed, 1,628.

Second—Those for the league, with qualifications, 1,240.

Third—Those expressing no opinion but asking information, 264.

Fourth—Those unqualifiedly against the league in its proposed form, 1,580.

More than half the letters in the first-class came from professional and business men, Clergymen, scholars, educators, lawyers, writers, men and women alike—and many big business men apparently approve very heartily of the draft of the League Constitution as it now stands.

The rest of the letters in the first class based their approval on faith in President Wilson.

It may be significant that most of the letters in class one came from the east, New England and the South.

The vast bulk of the other three classes came from the Middle and Far West.

Through the "class two" letters ran the strain, "We want an end to war, but"—And the writers then expressed in various ways their fears that the proposed League would enmesh the United States too deeply in foreign affairs. The Monroe Doctrine, American sovereignty, and all the other objections already urged were covered in these letters.

Many of them complained that President Wilson's attitude is that of a man assuming superior wisdom and unwilling to come down to cases in giving reasons for various provisions.

Class three, the smallest, came largely from school teachers and women generally. Men apparently have made up their minds rather thoroughly on the league. The information asked was chiefly along the lines of the objections raised against the league in the Senate.

Class four contained some bitter letters. In them President Wilson was vigorously assailed. Senators criticizing the league were applauded and in a number more or less thinly veiled threats were made against the Government if the league compact is ratified. Most of the letters of this class, however, struck the same note that ran through all the others—"Let us prevent war forever."

Scores of the letters offered substitutes for the proposed league, ranging from a policy of complete American isolation, maintained by force if necessary, to a policy of tricky diplomacy, the chief feature of which would be keeping European nations constantly in paws with one another, so that this country would be let alone.

STATE G. O. P. TO CONFER.

National Chairman Hays Invited to Meeting in Albany.

ALBANY, March 10.—George A. Glynne, Chairman of the Republican State Committee, announced today that he had invited Chairman Will Hays of the Republican National Committee to attend a meeting of the Executive Committee of the State organization to be held in up-State headquarters in Albany the latter part of this month.

Chairman Glynne also has sent a letter to all county chairmen urging unified action so that Republicans in New York will be prepared for a victorious campaign in 1920.

AMERICAN TROOPS CLUBBED BY POLICE IN RIOT IN LONDON

Inquiry Opened Into Clash in which British Colonial Took Part.

LONDON, March 10.—The American Military Police to-day convened a board of inquiry to look into the riot on the Strand yesterday when four Americans were injured by London policemen.

Major Campbell of the American Military Police was twice knocked down and trampled on in the clash. Seven Americans were arrested.

The fighting lasted three hours and Australian troops took part, on the Americans' side.

"There is little evidence as yet," declared Major Campbell, "but it seems that two American sailors were arrested by the London police for playing dice, a pastime which is not against the laws of the United States. The police also arrested two other sailors who were merely onlookers."

"The sentiment of the crowd of Colonial, American and English troops and many civilians was decidedly against the police and became definitely hostile when the police beat up two American military policemen who were going, in the execution of their duty, to take over the prisoners as Americans."

"This was probably due to a misunderstanding, the police having neglected to ascertain the status of the American military police before drawing their clubs on them."

Corpl. Zimmerman and Private Wilson, the two American military police, have been removed to a hospital in consequence of their injuries.

Four sailors, testifying to-day before the joint American naval and military board of inquiry, said they were manhandled by the police inside the Bow Street Jail. One of them sustained three broken ribs.

All Americans who participated in the riot will be tried by court-martial. Several British colonial troops will be arraigned in Bow Street Court, charged with taking part in the riot.

"It is not an international affair," said Admiral Sims, "but purely a police incident and is so regarded by all the authorities concerned. There has been a misunderstanding regarding the status of the American Military Police and this was probably responsible for the trouble."

Admiral Sims called attention to the fact that the London police regard the American military police as the best behaved of any troops that have visited London.

IRELAND IS LOOKING TO WILSON FOR HELP

Nationalists See in President's Attitude Hope for Revival of Their Party.

DUBLIN, March 10.—"With Wilson do anything about Ireland?" is the question uppermost in the minds of Irish politicians, particularly the Sinn Feiners.

Thus far the Republicans have been disappointed at President Wilson's silence to their appeals. The surviving Irish Nationalist politicians are in the President's action some hope for the revival of their party.

"The day is not far distant," said John Dillon, "when the country will be awakened to the great mistake made by the majority of Nationalists at the recent elections in voting for the Republicans, and it will fall back on the old parliamentary or constitutional policy pursued so long by the late John Redmond."

BELGIANS TAKE DUTCH SHIPS

Seeking to Enforce Claim to Navigation on Scheldt.

THE HAGUE, March 10.—The Hague Court, started to-day that Belgian authorities in Brussels and Antwerp have seized Dutch river vessels.

Belgium has laid claim to equal rights with Holland in traffic on the Scheldt River, which flows through Belgium but empties into the sea in Dutch territory.

GEN. VON SANDERS ARRESTED

Seized On Way to Berlin for Trial in Constantinople.

PARIS, March 10.—Gen. Liman von Sanders, former German commander in Turkey, has been arrested while en route to Berlin, according to a despatch from Constantinople to-day. He was taken to Malta, from where he will be returned to Constantinople for trial, together with other Turkish officers charged with violation of the rules of warfare.

CALLED ON WIFE: STABBED.

Corona Man Arrested After Risk Hunt Is Wounded.

Leadore Glass, an insurance agent, No. 14 South Sussex Street, Dover, N. J., who has been living apart from his wife, went to see her this morning at No. 36 Albertus Avenue, Corona, L. I. He found her in company with Louis Serrone, No. 1712 Cedar Street, according to the police.

Glass was stabbed in the left temple and was taken to the Flushing Hospital in a serious condition. Serrone was arrested.

Only Six Members of Company K, 106th, Escaped German Bullets



FRONT: AM. T. T. Z. A. ANLETA, Corp. A. WARDWORH, Corp. J. TINKLER, Corp. BACK: P. G. G. T. E. R. I., Corp. C. BELLIZI, Corp. J. TINKLER, Corp.

Only six men of Company K, 106th Infantry, 27th Division, went through the battles along the Hindenburg Line without being wounded. They are now at Camp Mills, where the photograph was taken. In front, left to right, are A. M. Tiptitz, Anthony Anleta and Corp. Alfred Wardworh. In the back, left to right, are P. G. G. T. E. R. I. and Corp. J. Tinkler, all of New York City.

RADICAL CHANGES IN LEAGUE STILL OPPOSED BY WILSON, SAYS WIRELESS FROM SHIP

President Receives Messages Detailing Progress of Peace Work Which He Reads in Stateroom—Has Slight Cold.

ABOARD U. S. S. GEORGE WASHINGTON, March 10. PRESIDENT WILSON was suffering from a slight cold to-day, but Rear Admiral Grayson said it was not serious.

"The President received a great quantity of wireless messages from Paris detailing the progress of the peace work. He spent some time in his stateroom going over this data. It was announced that he would go from Brest direct to Paris and get into immediate touch with Secretary Lansing, Col. House and other members of the American delegation."

According to those close to the President, he is not disposed to consent to any radical changes in the League of Nations draft, but will await the result of conferences with other delegates before making a definite statement in this regard.

Grayson has ordered the President to undertake no exacting work until he reaches France. The George Washington continued to make good time and is expected to reach Brest on Wednesday or Thursday.

GERMANS BUILDING ROADS TO GET PART PAY IN FOOD

Charge for Rations to Be Checked Against Berlin—10,000 to 15,000 to Be Employed.

COBLENZ, March 10. (Associated Press.)—In preparing plans for the employment of from 10,000 to 15,000 German civilians on road repairing and other work in the American Area of Occupation, American Main Headquarters has approved a proposal that the Germans be paid partly in rations. This privilege was decided upon in view of the shortage of food.

Officers of the Third Army believing that the offer will bring all the laborers needed for work on the country roads, they also assert that it will not be necessary to requisition labor for the upkeep of the highways. Civilians will work under the supervision of American officers.

The laborers will be paid in marks collected from the Berlin Government with the privilege of taking part of their pay in corned beef, flour, sugar and coffee. The charge for rations also will be checked against Berlin.

AVIATOR UP 21,600 FEET.

Lieut. Parodi Breaks South American Record.

BUENOS AIRES, March 10.—A new altitude record for South America was made Saturday by Lieut. Parodi, an Argentine Army aviator. He ascended to a height of 4,450 meters (about 14,600 feet), beating the record made in 1915 by Lieut. Zanni by nearly 300 feet.

NEW YORK JOBS FOR NEW YORK SOLDIERS, PLAN OF MERCHANTS

Members Urged to Give Preference for Work to Returning Boys From This City.

"NEW YORK CITY jobs for New York men." This is the slogan approved by the Executive Committee of the Merchants' Association. Members are urged to give preference to soldiers from this city.

The simplest and most direct method of making use of the labor absorption machinery set in motion by the Federal Employment Bureau is to send discharged soldiers back to their own homes, or at least back to the places from which they were inducted into the army, the committee decided.

The Merchants' Association asks all employers of the city to bear in mind that nearly all the men in the army will return within the next few months, and will expect to find jobs.

BRITAIN CHANGING VIEWS ON FATE OF GERMAN FLEET

Willing Italy and France Shall Keep Some Ships, but Will Sink Own Allotment.

PARIS, March 10.—A change in the attitude of the British Government regarding the plan to sink interned German warships has been noticed since the return of Premier Lloyd George to Paris. It now appears probable that instead of the German craft being sunk, Great Britain will be willing to permit France and Italy to keep some of the ships, but will consent to sink her own allotment.

In this way, it is said, Great Britain would relieve the United States of the necessity of carrying out her projected great naval building programme, which, it is understood, was based on the intention to prevent any one nation from having such a predominant navy as would give her control of the seas against the Powers of the League of Nations.

The addition of a limited number of the German warships to the French and Italian navies would not sensibly disturb the present balance of naval power, excluding Austria and Germany.

The desire of American naval experts that the German ships be eliminated completely, it is said, is based on considerations of economy, as they hold that if the German ships are given to Great Britain in the proportion proposed, the United States would be compelled to spend \$1,000,000,000 to maintain her place in the naval lists.

TWELVE PER CENT. PHONE RATE BOOST, VAIL'S PLAN

President of A. T. & T. in Report Shows Wage Raise With No Increase in Revenue.

Telephone rates would be raised 12 per cent. at once if Theodore N. Vail, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, could have his way.

In his annual report, made public to-day, he recommends the increase by showing 50 per cent. raise in wages and commodity costs with no corresponding rate increase.

Net earnings of the Bell system last year were \$54,252,016, of which \$33,229,695 was paid out to shareholders as 8 per cent. dividends. There are 112,000 stockholders.

Mr. Vail, commenting on public or private ownership, says there is a "doubt in the public mind that regulated monopoly is better than unregulated government ownership and that there can be no effective competition in the electric transmission of intelligence."

At the end of the year, the report says, there were 10,992,325 telephones connected with the Bell system, which operates 23,281,105 miles of wire, more than half being underground.

The letter says that after the facts have been verified the commission will take all necessary action, including orders for punishment of the guilty and any compensation or satisfaction which it may be decided is due the Italian Government.

Future trouble will cause inter-allied military occupation under the terms of the Austrian armistice.

BROOKLYN'S DAILY HOLD-UP.

Hiding Store Cash Drawer and Owner's Pockets, Robbers Flee.

Two men about twenty-five years old came in as Isidor Rosenfeld prepared at midnight to close his stationery store at No. 54 Park Avenue, Brooklyn.

"Let's have the dough," said one, and both displayed revolvers. The man in a blue jacket took \$65 from Rosenfeld's pockets and \$33 from the cash register while the other kept a revolver pointed. Then they walked to the corner, turned and ran as Rosenfeld began to shout for help.

BLow UP KILLS 1; 4 HURT.

Naphtha Explosion in Worcester Plant Destroys Building.

WORCESTER, Mass., March 10.—One man was killed and four were badly injured here to-day when a barrel of naphtha exploded in a building attached to the plant of the Baldwin Chain and Manufacturing Company.

The naphtha was stored in a two-story wooden building adjoining the main plant of the company and its explosion completely demolished the building and the flying fluid set fire to four three-story tenement houses that adjoined the shops.

CARDS COST HIM \$140,000.

Italian Reports Sharpers Swindled Him of Sum.

MILAN, March 10.—Marquis Giacomo Patrizi reported to the authorities today that he had been swindled out of \$140,000 by professional card sharpers.

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STORE-MANAGER BEATEN IN NEW BROOKLYN HOLD-UP

Youth, Said to Have Been a Petty Officer in the Navy, Arrested.

Two well-dressed young men entered the H. C. Bohack grocery store, No. 247 Sumner Avenue, Brooklyn, to-day and commanded Joseph Crouther, the manager to "give up."

Crouther yelled for the police and one young man struck him down with a piece of gas pipe. The groceryman continued to struggle and yell and the two men jumped on him, one beating him into semi-consciousness.

Hearing Crouther's screams had summoned him, the two holdup men fled. Policeman Schwabel of the Gates Avenue Station and reserves went to the rescue.

Schwabel, upon information from a woman living next door to the Bohack store, searched a lower apartment and found a man who described himself as Nicholas Smith, twenty-two years old, No. 554 Hart Street, Brooklyn, a former petty officer in the United States Navy, and hands and feet were spattered with blood.

Inspector Murphy took Smith before Crouther to the Jewish Hospital and Crouther identified the arrested man as one of his assailants. Smith denied it.

SENATORS TO DEBATE LEAGUE IN NEWARK

Knox and Hitchcock Accept Invitation of the Board of Education in That City.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—At the invitation of the Newark, N. J., Board of Education Senators Knox and Hitchcock will engage in a joint debate on the League of Nations in Newark early in April, it was announced today.

Knox is the advocate of a substitute plan, the chief feature of which is an international code to be administered by an international court. Hitchcock favors the Constitution as drafted.

GERMANY MUST GIVE UP ALL GUILTY OF WAR CRIMES

This Will Be Required by Peace Treaty, but Fate of Kaiser Is Undetermined.

PARIS, March 10.—The preliminary peace treaty probably will include a clause requiring Germany to turn over all officials found responsible for war crimes, to be tried by an international tribunal. This has been practically decided by the Responsibilities Committee.

The committee is expected to find that the former Kaiser cannot be legally extradited, also that it will be difficult to determine his personal responsibilities for the crimes charged against him. A suggestion has been made that the Germans themselves try to obtain his removal from Holland.

If there is no other alternative, it has been made that the German government will be branded, branding Wilhelm as the world's greatest criminal, his punishment being limited to this historical document.

FOUR MORE GRAND DUKES OF RUSSIA EXECUTED

Accused by the Bolsheviks of Being Involved in a Monarchist Plot.

COPENHAGEN, March 10.—Four more Russian Grand Dukes have been executed at Petrograd by the Bolsheviks during the last fortnight. They were charged with being involved in a monarchist plot, according to advices to the Brinslake Tidings.

JIM DRISCOLL WINNER.

Stops His Old Time Rival Palmer in Fourth Round.

LONDON, March 10.—Jim Driscoll, the former featherweight champion of Great Britain, staged a great pugilistic comeback at Hoxton to-day by beating his old time rival, Pedlar Palmer. The referee stopped the contest in the fourth round.

BRITISH DEBT 29 BILLIONS.

National Obligations Before the War Totalled \$3,530,770,550.

LONDON, March 10.—A white paper issued to-day showed the national debt on March 31, 1918, was \$39,605,479,093, compared with \$3,530,770,550 at the corresponding date in 1914.

CANDY

Penny a Pound Profit

Popular Mid-Week Special for Tuesday and Wednesday, Mar. 11th-12th. CHOCOLATE COVERED EN SURPRISE—A collection of chocolate covered sweets, having centres of the most delicious fruit, cream, etc. The variety of centres presented is both great and unusual. Every piece will prove a delicious surprise. SPECIAL for two days only. FOUND BOX 25c

Attractive Offerings for Monday, March 10th. STARTING OFF A WEEK OF BANNER VALUES.

MILK CHOCOLATE COVERED CARAMELS—In this sweet we have a masterly blended combination of two delicious and popular confections. Honey-Sweet Marshmallows and rich Chocolate Caramel are united in this delicious treat. Each piece is individually wrapped in foil. FOUND BOX 64c

CHOCOLATE VANILLA CREAM DROPS—Those big suggests of downy cream, having centres of richest cream, vanilla flavored, and covered with our luscious chocolate, velvety, fragrant, choice. FOUND BOX 44c

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"TOO MUCH FOOD!" IS CRY OF JURORS IN BLEWITT CASE

Panel, Now in "Cloistered" Life, Finds Dinners Too Big and Asks Justice's Protection.

Charles C. Boyd, foreman of the Blewitt jury now on duty in the Nassau County Courthouse, wanted to know to-day if he couldn't take up with Supreme Court Justice Seeger, presiding, a "little personal matter for the jury."

"Certainly," said the Court, "and be just as personal as you like."

"We want to know," said the foreman, "if we cannot have a little snack to eat here at noon?"

Justice Seeger was astounded. "This is an outrage!" he said. "I had supposed that you gentlemen were boarding at a hotel at Glen Cove and I assumed that you would get enough to eat. Send!"

"O, Lord!" groaned foreman Boyd. "Don't send for anybody! Please, please, PLEASE! We are getting too much to eat! That's our complaint! Most of us have given up an active out-of-doors life for the cloistered life of jurors and they give us too much to eat."

Justice Seeger gave orders to have the noonday meal abandoned and a "snack" served in its stead.

The jury of which Mr. Boyd is the head is engaged with the trial for manslaughter of Division Sup. Thomas F. Blewitt of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company. The State holds that Blewitt, having placed in charge of a train a man who, it alleges, had not been properly trained as a motorman, is responsible for the loss of ninety lives on Nov. 1 in Malbone Street Tunnel. The accident occurred on the opening day of a strike.

ENGLAND SETTING FREE SINN FEIN PRISONERS

Countess Markievicz, Among Those Released, to Claim Seat in Commons.

LONDON, March 10.—Sinn Feiners who have been interned in England have been released in batches during the last few days. A score returned to Dublin on Sunday. Among those recently released from Holloway Prison, London, was Countess Georgina Markievicz, who, according to the Daily Sketch, is likely to attend the meeting of the House of Commons on Monday and claim the seat for St. Patrick's Division of Dublin to which she was elected at the recent general elections.

It is pointed out that the question of her eligibility to the seat will arise, as her husband is a Polish Count who was never naturalized. She, therefore, is not a legally a Pole.

FOWNES FILOSETTE